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TAGS: ETRD

SUBJECT: GSP AND BOTSWANA COPPER NICKEL MATTE

REF: GABORONE 367

1. COMPETITIVE NEED EXCLUSION UNDER THE TRADE ACT IS NON DISCRETIONARY, AND BASED ON EITHER DOLLAR FIGURE (\$29.9 IN 1977) OR PERCENTAGE FIGURE (OVER 50 PERCENT OF US IMPORTS). IMPORTS FROM BOTSWANA OF COPPER NICKEL MATTE (TSUS 603.50) IN 1976 WERE \$43 MILLION, AND 89 PERCENT OF TOTAL US IMPORTS. THUS BOTSWANA WILL BE EXCLUDED ON THIS ITEM BEGINNING MARCH 1, AND THERE IS NO AUTHORITY TO REINSTATE BOTSWANA FOR GSP AS MENTIONED PARAGRAPH 2 REFTTEL.

2. DEPARTMENT ESTIMATES IMPACT OF EXCLUSION OF COPPER  
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NICKEL MATTE FROM GSP WILL BE MINIMAL FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS. THERE IS A VERY LOW DUTY OF LESS THAN 1 PERCENT. NEARLY ALL COPPER NICKEL MATTE IMPORTED FROM BOTSWANA IS DESTINED TO AMERICAN METAL CLIMAX WHICH HAS SUBSTANTIAL INVESTMENT IN SELEBI-PIKWE OPERATION. FINALLY, AS FINMIN STEVENS POINTED OUT MOST OF THE COPPER NICKEL MATTE IS RE-EXPORTED AND HENCE

ELIGIBLE FOR APPLICATION BY US EXPORTER FOR REFUND OF  
IMPORT DUTY.

3. GABORONE 408 JUST RECEIVED.QUESTION WILL BE ANSWERED  
BY SEPTEL.  
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## Message Attributes

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